IN VARIOUS PLACES

Three new railway lines are project

of in Turkey. Cuban railroads are compelled by

heir charters to carry mails free. Japan sent 63 ships through

Super asent of ships through the Buez canal last year, or more than Spain (24) or Denmark (27) and near-ly as many as Italy (82). The Hoangho, or Yellow river, of China, is 2,800 miles in length, and drains a territory equal to one-third the area of the United States.

The new Spanish income tax sched-ule is based on the idea of taxing busi-mess profits wherever found. Hanks mess profits wherever found. Hanks must pay 15 per cent. of their income to the government, besides five per cent, more on all dividends paid, while ordinary corporations must pay 12 per cent, on income and eight per ceut.

The marshy ground of the Ganges delta, with its vast masses of vegeta-tion, decaying under a tropical sun, is the native home of the cholera. In that pestilential region the cholera and plague are found every year and all the year round. Every cholera epi-demic which has desolated Europe, every visitation of the plague, is be-lieved to have started from the mouth of the Gauers. of the Ganges.

two square leaning towthe Garisenda and the Asinelli, which are more startling than the tower at Pisa, are safe. A rumor was started that they showed signs of weakening, but a commission of engineers pronounces them as solid as ever. The Asinelli tower is 315 feet high and was built in 1100. The Gari-senda was built a year later and was originally taller, but is now only 153 feet high. Its inclination however is feet high. Its inclination, however, is greater than that of the other tower.

FRENCH FACTS.

Gold has been discovered at Clairae, In France, during the sinking of a

France's annual consumption of wheat (including seed wheat) is 346,-

26,000 bushels.
This happens to be one of the comparatively few years in which the wheat harvest is anequal to meeting the home consumption of bread in

Two bird stories come from Frauce. According to Le Figure a canary breeder named Bourez is going to raise red canaries by feeding the parent birds on cayonne pepper. He has succeeded so far in raising birds of an orange-red tint. French poschers are making big hauts of partridges and other game hirds by using automo-biles with nets and a bright light. They run the automobiles at a swift along the public roads, and the attracted by the light, fly into There seems to be no violation of existing game laws in the

MUNICIPAL NOTES.

Chicago has invested close to \$1,000,

000 in golf grounds.

Fairmount park, at Philadelphia.
tains 2,740 acres; Central park, New York, StJ acres.

Nome's population this winter is estimated at about 3,000, which is 1,500 less than last winter.

The first manufactory of edged tools, including axes, hatchets, chisels and cutlery, was opened in Hart-ford, Conn., in the year 1825. Previous to that date it is said that coarse butcher knives and hunting knives were made by blacksmiths, and the better quality of cutlery was import-ed, from England. ed from England.

The Municipal Art society, of New York, will exhibit at the St. Louis exposition a model city block, full size, intended to show what a city might be if designed from the start by competent artists and engineers. Buildings, sidewalls, parements, sewers, lamp-posts, signs, will all be as perfect as they can be made.

A WOMAN NEVER-

Likes to give money to woman alms collectors

Tells the exact truth regarding the size of her shoes.

Wants a saleswoman to think economy regulates a purchase.

Gives up in an argument so long as the can find a word to answer back.

Frankly admits that she has been

Is quite willing to confess that un-other woman has more tact than she.

ses an opportunity to tell of the trouble she has with her dressmaker. Wastes much time over the selec-

of hoslery when bright colors Has time to see the man who likes to gossip about other women's pretty

until a e has had a confidential chat with the hostess.—Philadelphia Bul-letin. Learns to leave an evening company

JUST A MATTER OF WORDS.

The term carat merely means a twenty-fourth part of any given

The word tomboy, now applied to a ude young woman, formerly meant young man or boy.

Furlong was at first a furrow long or the distance that a pair of oxen would plow in half an hour.

Resewood is not the wood of any species of rose tree, nor is it red. Its fragrance gives it its name.

A vagabond was originally only a traveler or person who went from place to place with or without a The census shows that the number of Indians in Massachusetts increased from 428 in 1892 to 587 in 1990.

THE TAG ENDS OF THINGS.

The largest artesian well in the world is 14 inches in diameter and 684 feet deep. It is at Cerritos, in California.

To prevent stoves, or even itensils, from rusting, when not in use, rub them over with a rag dipped into kerosene. Milwaukee is laying cement curbs

and gutters, in the place of the cus-tomary stone, and the experiment is said to be wholly satisfactory. The vacation visitor to Maine in reent seasons has been so numerous nd so generous in his expenditures

and so generous in his expenditures that the prosperity of the Pine Tree State has taken long leaps ahead.

The crown that will probably be used for Queen Alexandra at the coronation next year is that made for Mary of Modena, the wife of the second James. It has 2,673 white diamonds and 23 rubies, besides many smaller stones.

smaller stones.

An ingenious Frenchman has in-rented an artificial worm, It is made of india rubber, is intended for bait, is indestructible and completely fools the fish. With this worm no time is lost in baiting the book, as there it remains until the fisherman chooses to remove it.

There are 122 cotton mills in oper ation or under construction in South Carolina, and on the basis of the as Sessors' returns their actual value is \$21,000,000. This makes cotton manufactoring an extremely important in-dustry in a state of the size and wealth of South Caralina.

CURIOUS INFORMATION.

San Francisco is to have a five-story office building exclusively for physiclans.

Double the time of the sun's rising gives the length of the night; donote that of his setting gives the length of the day.

Beef and herring have exactly the same value as food. Taking beef as 100 in units of food value, duck is

worth 101, solinon 103, butter 124.

Mount Edgecomb, in Alaska, has one of the largest craters in the world, being five miles in diameter, which is filled with dense forests 2,000 feet below the rim.

The sugar cane of China is said by The sugar cane of thing is said by botanists to be an entirely distinct species from that of India, and this fact is supposed to indicate that the development of sugar cane was carried on independently by two different nations at the same time.

The word "habit" is one of the must peculiar in our language. If

most peculiar in our language. If you take off the first letter, you still have "a bit." If you remove the second, the word "bit" is still on hand. Decapitate that by removing the "b," and you find the old "habit" not kid glove.

"I," and you find the old "habit" not kid glove.

To leave are meful for other "t" totally destroyed.

GOSSIP OF ACTORS.

Phil May, the earleaturist, is going to appear on the stage in London in a play that has been written for him. Sir Henry Irving is shy about of-

fering passes to cab drivers since on declined the favor with the remark: "The missus prefers the waxworks." Some one asked Sarah Bernhardt scently in Paris if it were true that she had fallen a victim to the auto-mobile craze. "Not at all," the actress replied, "but I have had to get one in order to ride in it and thus escape being rus over by one." Genealogy presents some curious problems in the case of Mme. Patti. She was born in Madrid, her father

She was born in Madrid, her father a native of Catania in Sicily and her mother a native of Rome. She was brought up by an American stepfather in the United States, married two French husbands, before she settled down in Wales, and is now the wife of a Swedish nobleman. To prevent any difficulty in consequence of this complex state of affairs in connection with her property she has taken out letters of naturalization as a British subject.

FORMER BRITISH SOVEREIGNS

Henry VIII, was enormously fat and easily overheated. At the slight-est exertion his face became purple, Edward I, was als feet two inches high, and it is said that the tips of that the tips of middle fingers extended below

Elizabeth, in her old age, had a red e and was very much ashamed One of her maids of honor l left a very curious account of the scrupulous care with which the queen's nose was painted and pow-

dered before any public appearance.
George IV. was fond of perfumes, but did not care for the English manufacture. He had all his permes brought from Paris, and a in south France was kept running full time during the senson in making perfume for the king and royal family.

TOLD IN NUMBERS.

Water is \$20 times heavier than air. The death rate in the United States 17.s per 1,000 population.

A tumbler contains about ten ounces of water; a teacup six ounces Six bushels of fine wheat when ground yield 280 pounds of flour.

A barrel of water fills a box tw by two feet and 17 1-3 inches deep.

definite object.

Timber dealers always talk of a large piece of mahogany or oak as a log, while a truck of firwood is a years the Empire state of the south will contain more than 100,000,000 fruit trees.

HOW ROYALTY SLEEPS.

The king of Italy cannot sleep wa-cept upon a very hard bed. He dis-penses with the use of pillows. He uses sheets of the very coarsest web and sleeps like a top.

Queen Victoria went to bed quite late, although she was a comparatively early riser. Year in and year out her average time of going to bed was 10:15. A lady in waiting was deputed to read her to sleep.

Queen Withelmina goes to bed about 11 o'clock and gets up early. On ris-ing she takes a stroll around the park and visits the stables. Her bedstead is of monumental size, being broad enough for six and proportionately deen.

Emperor William is a soldier even when he goes to bed, for he sleeps on a regulation camp bed, such as his of-ficers use. The bed clothing is of the rough regimental pattern. He retires

Leopold III., the king of the Bel-plans, goes to bed late. He spends half the night working and reading. In strong contrast to his neighboring sov-ereign, he uses an ordinary bedstead, without any other luxary than a quilt of swanslown. He is a very chilly mortal.

The car of Russia has the greatest the car of Russia has the greatest difficulty in getting a good night's rest, and yet he is what eld-fashioned peo-ple call a lover of the hed. He dreads the night. His bedroom is al-ways brilliantly lighted, like a reception-room. He often suffers from neste insomnia and makes frequent use of chloral.

HOUSEWIFELY HINTS.

Throw new sponges in cold water and let them soak four or five hours. To prevent a rug from curling, sew piece of furniture webbing along the under edge of the corners.

small box of time in the pantry will help to keep the air dry and pure; should be renewed occasionally.

Mud stains on silk can generally be

removed by rubbing with a piece of flannel. Should a stain prove obdi-rate, rub it with a piece of linen sutorated in spirit. To keep out moths use alum. Wash

over the crevices of store boxes with alum water and sprinkle powdered alum wherever it is suspected that moths may make their appearance.

A good furniture gine that does not harden and which has long been in use in the family from which the resee in the family from which the re-celpt is gest is easily made. Dissolve five cents' worth of gelatin in five cents' worth of sectle acid and bottle, Black lace may be washed in warm water, to which a little borax has been

Tea leaves are useful for other things besides brushing floors. When a few days old pour boiling water over them, leave till nearly cold, strain and use the water for washing paint. White paint may be cleaned by robbing it with a flannel which has been dinned by whiting. dipped in whiting.

IN WOMAN'S REALM.

Miss Mary Clagett, daughter of the late Judge W. H. Clagett, of San Francisco, has opened a barber shop

It is said that Mrs. Theresa Wiltox, wife of Hawaii's delegate to con-press, will start a newspaper printed one-half in English and one-half in Hawniinn.

Alma Stencel, a 13-year-old Califor bin girl planist, has been accorded thique honors in Berlin. Countess con flulaw has invited her to play in the imperial chancellor's palace in Withelmstrasse to an audience of minet ministers, diplomats and ther dignituries.

Mrs. Jenkins, wife of Gov. Jenkins of Oklahoma territory, is a Quaker preacher and noted for her charitable promier and noted to the local tots. She fills the pulpit of the local junker church every Sunday and sis-les regularly the United States juil a Guthrie, and ministers to the mate-rial as well as to the spiritual wants of the prisoners

GLEANINGS OF FACT.

St. Louis is to have a newspaper

The retail price of meats in Chicago is higher than it has been for years

Pickled cod is sold by the barrel, but hooked cod always by the score, Any hard steel tool will cut glass when kept wet with camphor solved in turpentine.

If a sitting of eggs has arrived from a distance they should always be kept for 24 hours before putting them un-English der a hen.

A great many musicians are baid-headed, but no one ever saw a hairhended, but no one ever saw a hair-less man in Sousa's band. This is betause Sonsa won't have baid-headed men among his musicians, and not a few of them wear wigs to avoid being cut off.

LONDON TOWN TALK.

London soot manures 100,000 acres of land a year.

The night population of the city of London is falling off at the rate of out 700 a year.

Of London proper 53,405 acres are covered with buildings, 6,445 are parks and 15,500 acres are vacant land.

London's 20 biggest hotels represent a capital of £7,000,000, accommodate 5,400 guests a night during the season and employ 4,500 servants.

G. Foster, of the London county council, suggests that the board of health shall periodically inspect res-taurant kitchens to prevent dirt, just as it now inspects bakehouses.

HOW CLOTHES GOT NAMES.

Mackintosh is the name of its in ventor.
"Umbrella" is from "umbra," a lit

tle shade.

The word "gows" comes from the Weish "gwn."

"Trouseau" comes from the French "trouse," a bundle. "Stays" express support, from the French word "estal."

"Corset" is a French word, from "corps," the body, and the diminutive "ette"—namely, a little body.
"Garter" comes from "jarrettere," the French word, and "garetto," the Italian, which denotes the bend of the base.

"Pocket" means "poke," a bag or

"Pocket" means "poke." a bag or pouch, with the diminutive, the pocket being only a little bag inserted in a garment or any other article.

"Hose" is an Anglo-Saxon German word, derived from the leclandic "haa." "Steec" is the Anglo-Saxon for stocking, which means a trunk.

We derive "polonaise" from the Poles, who call their surfout the polonie; but "pellase" comes from the Latin "pillicea," which was generally made of far.

The word "costume" is derived from the French word signifying custom.

the French word signifying custom, and dress from the French word dresser, to make straight, and this is

derived from deriger, to direct.

Petticoat comes from the Angle-Norman outdoor garment, which was entied a "cotte" and was solve quently modified into coat. Petticoat, or small coat, is due to putty, signifying small.

Skirr is from the Angle-Saxon world
sepring, to shorten. We have come to
consider that which covers the lower
part of the body as a shirt and the
upper part the bodies, the word bodies
being the planal of lody, for more
than one bodies is mostly worn.

As transfer intended Woman,
With cology record and sugges,
With cology record and sugges

1862.
Capt. Errorst Gobbschmidt, who was recently mentioned in the Gazette as deserving of praise for distinguished.

At test of Patience.
Perhaps in that sufferment time with the Categories of a wait.
We it not introduce to every in Anni test no tears at late. deserving of praise for distinguished a revice to the South African war, in a xour count intime, which get has, son of Jeany Lind, the once-famous Your tronsers will not bug; the world always stop whenever a car you flag.

Thomas P. Watts, of Louisville, Ky., who agreed to eat the large straw hat he was wearing tast election day if the republican ticket should be defeated in that state, has engaged a celebrated cook to make the task as light as possible.

At the general missionary convenience of the control o

At the general missionary conven-tion of the Methodist Episcopal de-nomination in Fittsburg, Bishop James N. Fitzgerald, of St. Louis, in-curred the displeasure of his fellow delegates because of his devotion to rhess. The bishop is very fond of and an expert at the game named, and no complaint regarding his fad ever reached him before.

IN RUSSIA.

Russian engineers are experimenting with a military kite which will, it is hoped, prove useful for reconnoitering purposes.

The Russian empire contains more than 65 independent racial groups. It is a verifable Tower of Babel. Even is a veritable Tower of Babel. Even with the omission of Siberia and Cen-tral Asia there remain in Russia, in Europe and the Caucaaus alone 46 dif-

ferent peoples.

The Russian government has sanetioned the erection of a monument at Warsaw to the celebrated Polish composer Frederic Chopin. The latitators of the projected monument latend inviting designs for the work from British and foreign sculptors.

In Russia no meetings of private citizens for any purpose are permit-ted; the privilege of holding meet-ings is granted only to chartered cor-porations or associations. All crowds, except in places of amusement or worship, are dispersed by the police. No premises can be hired for the pur-pose of holding a meeting without a permit from the police.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

In 1900 Germany imported \$21,420,000

worth of tobacco The Hetter Song.

The cotton exported from the United states during the past year amounted to 3,230,390,448 pounds.

Siberian butter is now sent in large.

Lindying words from Bying per— States during the past year amounted to 3,330,800,448 pounds.

Siberian butter is now sent in large quantities to London and Hamburg, under the label of Panish butter.

Of Azabian wool that from Bandad is considered best, then to Mosul and from Kurdistan. that from Last year 376 tons of imported eigar-ettes, valued at \$1,737,000, or fully five

times as many as fen years ago, were consumed in Germany. imports of German fuel into Switerland in 1996 were as follows: Coke, 126,210 tons; coal, 1,145,418 tons; briquettes, 307,812 tons; total, 1,579,441

LITTLE HINTS.

tons

The straight front corset is in greater demand than ever this season.

Stitched pagne veivet is consider-bly used for trimming cloth tailor The windmill bow of satin ribbe

velvet is seen on many of the latest designs in children's hats. The very latest walking skirts are made to show the feet to the top of the instep, and are of equal length all around.

Colffure ornaments never were love-For than this season, and the diversity in ideas makes it easy for every wom-an to suit herself.

WHAT OUR POETS SAY.

New Often We Perget! too heedless of the little things for our comfort by our own or ch

ghtless of the cheek our lips

might kins;
The grateful word-so short a word to

"any;
We notice not the thred feet hurrying
On our small croands; fall to herd the On our small errands; latt to herd the mirek
Word at reproof, nor steken with the
shought

our blunders less kind lips targht

ains His argels in our simple homes, wings; and heaven's light plays about the patient

who at our hearthstones daily toil and sing-often we torget, till dear tired hands And tender waterful eyes Weary of writing for our tardy thanks Bip little Farance. -Kate Whiting Fatch, in Youth's com-

The days are long and bright and fair,
The calls are ones th Sur-him Lan
No thought of grad can eater there.
No drain of ones or pass of calls
And glan

Come, dear one; each in land we'll go

Good sight, old world: We're on the Front and your won in Burkham I A smer of thanks are not will pay; Toward will such a systemally. So we think maken which we had a trivial means in Joy, to Burkham and thome of the control of the

An OldsPashinged Woman.

part of the body as a shirt good the upper part the bodies, the word bodies being the plant of body, for more than one bedies is mostly worn.

INDIVIDUALITIES.

Rev. Dr. Joseph Dombrowski is the restor of the only Polish theological seminary in America, housted at Detroit. He was born in Warsaw, studied at the university of that city and took part in the revolution of 1862.

Cant. Experimental in the revolution of 1863.

Cant. Experimental incidents of the city and took part in the revolution of 1863.

A test of Patience.

The Home Light. The light of home's a wondrous light, so tender is its shining.
So soft it follows through the night, Our weary road outthing.
Though lonely and for years we roam, Far from the ones who love us, Yet ever shines the light of home, Like God's grace spread above us.

Poor boy!

Not that he's of the hungry class,
Poor boy!

His face is neither thin nor pale,
I've heard him tell no moving tals
Or parents lying levath the grass,
Poor boy!

What gibes and taunts are flung his way, Poor boy!

Poor boy!
His looksh mother keeps his curis
Plung ever his shoulders like a girl'slic's tweive years old it he's a day.
Poor boy!
-8. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.

The Egutlet.

When I am glum and feeling blue. Why does all earth reem that way, ton? When I am feeling blyths and gay, Why does the whole world seem at play? When I was touched with lave divine. Why did the stars more brightly ships?

When jealous or hate entirolled, Why did the stars at once grow co I semetimes fear to hardened be With such responsibility. For good or better, but or worse, I reculate the universe! -Household Words.

Undying words from living pen-at all unsung come took to me The tuncless notes, with empty ring, her had not reached humanity Nor southed one heart's emblithered sting.

In pity for a mother's wos.

I wrote a simple, heartfelt iny;
A stamb at comfait to beatow.
And light, perchanne, dark sorrow's way,
Men loved my rong and praised each part,
And to its every famil seemed hilled;
It touched the abord of mother heavy
And to it touched all humps kind.
Minnis Mellurney, in Wellspring.

A Song of Civing. in my gifts I travel far
As the needy nations are.
North and south and east and west;
Givers travels are the best.

In my gifts I dig a mine. Down where lordliest treasures shine-directions of hearts oppressed; tilvers Kiondikes are the heet. in my gifts I mount and rice fibrough the reaches of the skies To a Heaven of joy and rest; Givers wings are far the best. -Ames R. Wells, in N. Y. Independent.

A little rift among the clouds
To let the sunshine through,
And let the day that was so dark
is brightened and new glories mark
The ways that we pursue.

A smile that costs the giver naught,
A little word of praise,
And some new, wavering, may take
The way wherein his work shell make
Him happy all his days.

—8. E. Klaer, in Chicago Record-Heraid.

ABOUT POSTAGE STAMPS.

The "wheel" surcharge on the recent issues of Salvador has been described issues of Salvador has

as s sunburst. as 5 aunburst.

The Garzon, Colombian Republic, provisionals, March, 1894, Issue, were largely bought up by a dealer in Garson, who at first was the sole source

argery bought up by a general interzon, who at first was the sole source
of supply of the stamps.

One of the most interesting sights
appealing to the interest of the philatelie tourist in Europe is the famous stamp bourse of Parls. The
Parisian stamp "bourse," which virtually is but a convocation of curbstone brokers, with all the semi-romantic associations that cluster about
it, is a fixture of fact and in consequence there is some excuse, perhaps,
for the exaggerations and distortions
with which it has been described by
the press of probably all civilized
countries in the course of the occasional article on philately. It had its
conception late in the 50°s.

Phirty-five years ago, when the col-

Phirty-five years ago, when the col-lection of postage stamps was thought to be mere child's play, the stamps worth hundreds of dollars to-day could be hought for a few cents each. A few years later five dollars was the highest price asked for the rarest stamps, with a few exceptions, such as post office. Mauritins, Reunion, etc. At that period the collection of coin-At that period the collection of coin-was estermed a proper pursuit for se-rious men, and the price obtained by dealers in America for ordinary coins was from two to ten times what is asked to day for the same coins. The fashion of stamp collecting waxed greater each year, as that of coin col-lecting wamed. Of course, the well-known great rarities have greatly held their prices, and in some inheld their prices, and in some in-stances even increased. It is no inter-esting speculation whether coins and stamps will not begin to change their relations to each other.

SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.

Michigan's school fund permits of a per capita appropriation of two del

Prof. Heavy M. Howe, of the school of mines, Columbia university, his been elected as honorary member of the Eussian technical school at S: Petersburg.

Peter-burg.

Rimon Henry, of Knoxville, age 87, has been the star pupil in the East-port colored action there for als weeks. She het her hosband, who was 163 years ald, about a year age, and concluded to enter school as a cure for ennul.

The report of the University Chilof New York city shows that the total membership is 2,829, exclusive of army and pavy officers. Of this comier Columbia has 786; Yale, 828; Harvard, 370, and Princeton, 250. A Columbia university club has been in-corporated in New York city with a membership to begin with of 450. Seth Low is one of the incorporators, as are also Abram Hewitt and Nich-

plas Murray Butler. Douglas Story, writing in Munsey's on the universities of Europe, says that Russia has no university more than 150 years old. In all, there are ten universities in Russia, but the students are rarely Russians. At Dorpat, of the 1,600 students, more than 1,100 are Protestant Germans, 250 Jews and only 95 are orthodox Russians. Russian students have no rollege life, the university being mere-ly a series of lectures. The students

tate the professors.

DICTATES OF FASHION. One attractive tan cloth gown is trimmed with the soutache braid in

black and white, Curset covers of fine lawn are occa sionally trimmed with deepercam be-insertions and edges and are pretty when worn with deep cream-colored petticoats. New French felt hats in rough beaver

and shaggy camel's hair effects, also in mottled, heather-mixed and granits weavings, are worsen suite with util-ity costomes of like pattern. By costumes of like pattern.

Turquoise matrix bus fashionable as ever. The turquoise is, morrover, the stone for December, so that a lacky charm may very appropriately be given on Christmas, which is the world's birthday. Then, too, the turquoise signifies "prosperity," a pretty idea for the new year.

Steel and black are combined for

Steel and black are combined fre some of the smart stocks the dots of velvet which make a good trimming for so many things are set open a lac-or net foundation and encircled with bends, black and steel altereation Lines of black and steel beads are seen in other combinations on stocks.

PERSONAL MENTION.

King Edward wears a No. 7 hat, the 6% and the duke of wall 6%. Sir Joseph Dimsdale, who has just

been installed as lord mayor of Lon-don, is a graduate of Eton, and is the first Eton boy who has filled the office for a period of 130 years. Dmitri Kosisujajkeno, an Armenjas

who arrived at the Garret Biblical in-stitute, Illinois, to study theology, has changed his name to "Mr. Little," as none of the professors were able to pronounce his Armenian name. Russell Gardner, a rich Mississipping

has countracted a pleasure yacht, the Alice May, furnished it sumptuously and lives on it almost the entire year, in the summer in northern waters and in the winter along the Gulf of Mexico. King Edward is a disciplinarian as regards his court. It does not do for any of the gentlemen of his household to be absent without leave. His ma-jesty is said to have telegraphed to a very high officer in Scotland merely to remind him that the court is at present in Loudor.